## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

REGINALD MCBRIDE,

Case No. 2:24-cv-01232-JAD-DJA

**Plaintiff** 

ORDER

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MALYNDA LOWREY, et al.,

Defendants

Plaintiff Reginald McBride has applied to proceed *in forma pauperis* ("IFP") in this action. (ECF No. 1). On December 10, 2024, the Court issued a screening order permitting two claims to proceed, dismissing some claims with leave to amend, and dismissing some claims without leave to amend. (ECF No. 5). In the screening order, the Court deferred ruling on Plaintiff's IFP application. (*Id.* at 12). The Court granted Plaintiff until January 24, 2025, to file an amended complaint curing the deficiencies of the complaint. (*Id.* at 1, 13–14). And the Court specifically stated that if Plaintiff chose not to file an amended complaint, the action would proceed against CO Trujillo and CO Malynda Lowrey only. (*Id.* at 13–14). Plaintiff has not filed an amended complaint. Pursuant to the screening order, this action will proceed against CO Trujillo and CO Malynda Lowrey only.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, pursuant to the Court's screening order (ECF No. 5), this action will proceed against CO Trujillo and CO Malynda Lowrey only.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, given the nature of the claims that the Court has permitted to proceed, this action is stayed for 90 days to allow Plaintiff and Defendants an opportunity to settle their dispute before the Court determines whether to grant Plaintiff's IFP application, the \$350.00 filing fee is paid, an answer is filed, or the discovery process begins. During this 90-day stay period and until the Court lifts the stay, no other pleadings or papers may be filed in this case, and the parties may not engage in any discovery, nor are the parties required to respond to any paper filed in violation of the stay

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unless specifically ordered by the Court to do so. The Court will refer this case to the Court's Inmate Early Mediation Program, and the Court will enter a subsequent order. Regardless, on or before 90 days from the date this order is entered, the Office of the Attorney General must file the report form attached to this order regarding the results of the 90-day stay, even if a stipulation for dismissal is entered prior to the end of the 90day stay. If the parties proceed with this action, the Court will then issue an order setting a date for Defendants to file an answer or other response. Following the filing of an answer, the Court will issue a scheduling order setting discovery and dispositive motion deadlines.

"Settlement" may or may not include payment of money damages. It also may or may not include an agreement to resolve Plaintiff's issues differently. A compromise agreement is one in which neither party is completely satisfied with the result, but both have given something up and both have obtained something in return.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the case does not settle, then the Court will determine whether to grant Plaintiff's IFP application. Plaintiff will be required to pay the full \$350.00 statutory filing fee for a civil action regardless of whether the Court grants Plaintiff's IFP application. This fee cannot be waived, and the fee cannot be refunded once the Court enters an order granting Plaintiff's application to proceed IFP. If Plaintiff is allowed to proceed IFP, the fee will be paid in installments from Plaintiff's prison trust account. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b). If Plaintiff is not allowed to proceed IFP, the full \$350 statutory filing fee for a civil action plus the \$55 administrative filing fee, for a total of \$405, will be due immediately.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if any party seeks to have this case excluded from the inmate mediation program, that party must file a "motion to exclude case from mediation" no later than 21 days prior to the date set for mediation. The responding party will have 7 days to file a response. No reply may be filed. Thereafter, the Court will issue an order, set the matter for hearing, or both.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if Plaintiff needs an interpreter to participate in the mediation program, Plaintiff will file a notice identifying the interpretation language and the need for the interpreter within 30 days from the date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of Court add the Nevada Department of Corrections to the docket as an Interested Party and electronically provide a copy of this order and copies of all items previously filed in this case by regenerating the Notices

of Electronic Filing on the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Nevada by adding

the Attorney General of the State of Nevada to the interested party on the docket. This

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Attorney General's Office must advise the Court within 21 days of the date of the entry of this order whether it will enter a limited notice of appearance on behalf of Interested Party for the purpose of participation in the Early Mediation Program. No defenses or objections, including lack of service, will be waived because of the filing of the limited notice of appearance.

DATED: February 5, 2025

does not indicate acceptance of service.

DANIEL J. ALBRÉGITS
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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1		No mediation session with a court-appointed mediator was held during the 90-day stay, but the parties have nevertheless settled the case. ( <i>If this box</i>				
2		is checked, the parties are on notice that they must SEPARATELY file a contemporaneous stipulation of dismissal or a motion requesting that the				
3 4		Court continue the stay in this case until a specified date upon which they will file a stipulation of dismissal.)				
5		No mediation session with a court-appointed mediator was held during the				
6		90-day stay, but one is currently scheduled for [enterdate].				
7		No mediation session with a court-appointed mediator was held during the				
8		90-day stay, and as of this date, no date certain has been scheduled for such a session.				
9		None of the above five statements describes the status of this case.				
10		Contemporaneously with the filing of this report, the Office of the Attorney				
11		General of the State of Nevada is filing a separate document detailing the status of this case.				
12	Situation Tw	vo: Informal Settlement Discussions Case: The case was NOT assigned				
13	to mediation with a court-appointed mediator during the 90-day stay; rather, the					
14	parties were encouraged to engage in informal settlement negotiations. [If this statement is accurate, check <b>ONE</b> of the four statements below and fill in any additional					
15	information as required, then proceed to the signature block.]					
16		The parties engaged in settlement discussions and as of this date, the parties have reached a settlement (even if the paperwork to memorialize				
17		the settlement remains to be completed). (If this box is checked, the parties				
18		are on notice that they must SEPARATELY file either a contemporaneous stipulation of dismissal or a motion requesting that the Court continue the				
19		stay in this case until a specified date upon which they will file a stipulation of dismissal.)				
20		The parties engaged in settlement discussions and as of this date, the				
21		parties have not reached a settlement. The Office of the Attorney General				
22		therefore informs the Court of its intent to proceed with this action.				
23		The parties have not engaged in settlement discussions and as of this date, the parties have not reached a settlement. The Office of the Attorney				
24		General therefore informs the Court of its intent to proceed with this action.				
25		None of the above three statements fully describes the status of this				
26	_	case. Contemporaneously with the filing of this report, the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Nevada is filing a separate document				
27		detailing the status of this case.				
28	Submitted th	is day of, by:				

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